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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH, CENTRAL DIVISION

NOVELL, INC., )  
Plaintiff, )  
vs. ) Case No. 2:04-CV-1045 JFM  
MICROSOFT CORPORATION, )  
Defendant. )  
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BEFORE THE HONORABLE J. FREDERICK MOTZ

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2 PROCEEDINGS

3 THE COURT: Good morning, everybody.

4 Let's get the jury. It's an amazingly prompt  
5 jury.

6 (Jury present)

7 THE COURT: You all are going to spoil me. You're  
8 all wonderful. You're prompt every morning. I'm going to  
9 go back to Baltimore and I'm going to wonder why a juror or  
10 two can't be there on time.

11 Mr. Holley.

12 MR. HOLLEY: Good morning, Your Honor.

13 Microsoft calls Robert Muglia to the stand.

14 ROBERT MUGLIA,

15 Having been duly sworn, was examined

16 and testified as follows:

17 THE CLERK: Please state your full name and spell  
18 it for the record.

19 THE WITNESS: My name is Robert Muglia.  
20 M-u-g-l-i-a.

21 DIRECT EXAMINATION

22 BY MR. HOLLEY:

23 Q Good morning, Mr. Muglia.

24 Could you tell us what your educational background is,  
25 starting with graduating from high school?

1 A Yes. I graduated from high school in Michigan in 1977,  
2 and I attended the University of Michigan for four years  
3 where I received a bachelor's degree in computer  
4 communication science.

5 Q When did you first start working at the Microsoft  
6 Corporation?

7 A I began at Microsoft in January of 1988.

8 Q What was your first job at Microsoft?

9 A I was the first program manager on a database product  
10 called SQL server, the first technical person assigned to  
11 that product.

12 Q What does SQL mean?

13 A SQL stands for structured query language. It is a very  
14 commonly used way to perform queries against databases.

15 Q Now you said that you were a program manager. Can you  
16 tell the jury what it means to be a program manager at  
17 Microsoft?

18 A Sure. A program manager is somebody who works with  
19 customers and partners, understands what their needs are,  
20 and works to develop the technical specifications for a  
21 product. Program managers are really responsible for the  
22 features and content of any of Microsoft's products.

23 They also are involved in project management.  
24 Typically project management is also done within the program  
25 management discipline. So maintaining the schedule and sort

1 of helping to understand where the product is in terms of  
2 its progression through the engineering process.

3 Program managers don't really define the schedule.  
4 That's largely done by the development teams and the test  
5 teams. Development teams are the folks that write the code,  
6 write the software. Testers validate that it's functional  
7 according to the specification. So the program managers  
8 kind of watch the project and help it along.

9 Q Why not just let the software developers do what they  
10 want to do on their own?

11 A Because they wouldn't do the right thing. Software  
12 developers, fundamentally their job is to actually do a  
13 great architectural design for a product, to understand how  
14 to make a product perform as well as it can, and to write  
15 the actual code that implements what the product needs to  
16 do.

17 When you are building any product, it's important to  
18 understand what's happening in the industry, what your  
19 customers need. It's always good to start with the  
20 customer, understand what features they want, and also to  
21 work more broadly for many products with partners that may  
22 have dependency on this product, such as software developers  
23 that might build applications on top of an operating system.

24 Q After being a program manager on the SQL server  
25 database product, what did you do next at Microsoft?

1 A Well, I was -- I was involved in a number of things  
2 that were working on server products. We had started to  
3 work on a mail product that ultimately became Microsoft  
4 Exchange. I did a little bit of work with a server that  
5 connected to IBM mainframes.

6 But my primary job transition that occurred after I  
7 left the SQL server group was to run the program management  
8 team that was building what we thought would be the next  
9 generation operating system called OS/2. This was an  
10 operating system we were jointly developing with IBM. And  
11 really near the tail end of that project, it had been going  
12 on for some number of years, but when I joined that effort,  
13 which was roughly 1990 if I'm correct, it was the tail end  
14 of the work we were doing there.

15 Q What happened to Microsoft's involvement with OS/2?

16 A Well, ultimately OS/2 was not successful in the  
17 marketplace. It was -- this was a case where Microsoft and  
18 IBM, who had traditionally partnered from the earliest days  
19 of the PC, were trying to work together to build this next  
20 generation much more powerful operating system called OS/2,  
21 but a series of decisions that were made really early in the  
22 cycle of the product caused it to not be successful in the  
23 market.

24 You know, one of the major ones, which was a  
25 disagreement between Microsoft and IBM, was that IBM was

1 really focused in the early days on -- and really throughout  
2 the OS/2 life cycle to make OS/2 as compatible with  
3 mainframe computers as they possibly could. That was, in  
4 retrospect, a bad decision because the market viewed PCs  
5 very differently than these larger systems that are -- these  
6 IBM mainframes. So there were certainly design elements of  
7 OS/2 that were very problematic.

8       The thing that was really difficult, frankly, was  
9 having two companies with very different objectives trying  
10 to jointly develop something was not a good recipe for  
11 success in the technical industry. There are very few cases  
12 where that's been successful over time. And the result was  
13 the product never worked the way it should work.

14       It was always a joke that in OS/2 you couldn't print in  
15 OS/2, even to the very end getting simple functions like  
16 printing to work. So obviously customers wouldn't buy an  
17 operating system that didn't do what it was supposed to do,  
18 like print.

19 Q     Mr. Muglia, after working on the OS/2 effort, what did  
20 you do next at Microsoft?

21 A     I -- after we -- after Microsoft decided to go in  
22 separate ways with IBM and focus on Windows as the future of  
23 the PC operating system, we had started an effort to and had  
24 been working on a next generation operating system that  
25 became known as Windows NT. And for a brief period of time



1 I worked as a staff person for Paul Maritz, who was my boss  
2 at the time, helping him to sort out and make some of these  
3 strategic decisions.

4 Following that, I went to work on Windows NT initially  
5 in the form of a project that we had launched that was code  
6 named Cairo. Ultimately it became really just focused on  
7 Windows NT and running the program management group, that  
8 group that defines the specifications, doing that for  
9 Windows NT.

10 Q You mentioned something called Cairo, Mr. Muglia, which  
11 we've heard a little bit about in the trial. Can you, in a  
12 nontechnical way as possible, explain what Cairo was?

13 A Well, if you put yourself -- I mean it's important to  
14 go back in perspective. We're now going back almost 20  
15 years, and in some ways the launch of the idea of Cairo was  
16 over 20 years ago. It was a speech that Bill Gates did at a  
17 trade show called COMDEX in 1990 where he talked about  
18 something that he called information at your fingertips. If  
19 you actually go back to that period, you have to recognize  
20 that, you know, very few people used PCs. Those that did  
21 were generally using character mode operating systems like  
22 DOS. So they had to type everything in by hand. There was  
23 no real graphical interface -- or at least most people  
24 weren't experiencing graphical interfaces. It was in the  
25 days before Windows.

1           So the idea behind Cairo was to use this next  
2 generation graphical interface and some ideas like search  
3 and some other ideas like being able to browse into the file  
4 system to make it very easy to find information. The whole  
5 idea was that you have all this information you can store on  
6 your PC and it was hard to find it because the computers  
7 were very difficult -- they made it difficult for people.  
8 And Cairo was an idea that was -- was a project that really  
9 focused on making it easier.

10           Now Cairo was more focused on finding information on  
11 your PC. Of course, today we think about finding  
12 information anywhere in the world. On the Internet it's a  
13 simple thing by searching on Google. But, you know, this  
14 was, you know, more than ten years before Google came into  
15 existence. And so Cairo was really an idea of focusing on a  
16 similar concept of finding things, not in the whole world,  
17 but a little bit more contained onto a user's PC.

18 Q       Was an operating system called Cairo ever commercially  
19 released by Microsoft?

20 A       No. The project ultimately was not successful,  
21 largely, once again, because of some technical decisions  
22 that were made early on in the project and because of  
23 different efforts that Microsoft undertook, particularly an  
24 effort that was underway at roughly the same time as Cairo  
25 as code name Chicago, or Windows 95. That ultimately became

1 the project that succeeded in defining what Windows would  
2 look like in the marketplace for many years to come.

3 But many of the ideas of Cairo did succeed. A lot of  
4 the early UI work that we did in Cairo, the user interface  
5 work on the way that the user interface of Windows is built,  
6 a lot of that pioneering work was done by the Cairo team in  
7 those early days of 1990.

8 If you look today at the Windows user interface, the  
9 start menu and the tray at the bottom, the desktop with the  
10 icons on it, and in Explorer to be able to browse through  
11 the file system, you know, those early concepts were part of  
12 the Cairo UI design. They wound up being implemented very  
13 differently in the early days of Chicago and Windows 95, but  
14 the ideas largely came from Cairo, and then this different  
15 implementation that changed the commercial reality. Really,  
16 if you look today at Windows 7, it's kind of what -- or  
17 Windows XP is, it's quite similar even today. It's evolved,  
18 but it's quite similar.

19 Q Now I believe you said, Mr. Muglia, that after working  
20 on the Cairo team, I think you became involved in Windows NT  
21 program management. Can you tell us what your role was in  
22 that position?

23 A Right. What happened is that originally the Cairo  
24 team -- in the early days when Windows NT was being  
25 developed, it was -- it was really a fundamentally very new

1 thing. It was a next generation operating system that had  
2 some very key concepts that had never really existed in the  
3 PC space before.

4 I mean if you go back to DOS and Windows 3.1 and  
5 Windows 95, I mean those operating systems were really  
6 focused on trying to just get things done quickly for end  
7 users. You know, they weren't very reliable. They didn't  
8 have any concepts of security. And Windows NT was -- it was  
9 birthed from people that came from Digital Equipment  
10 Corporation, which -- DEC as it is often known, which was a  
11 mini computer company from the 1970s and 1980s.

12 And there are some great people that worked at Digital  
13 and some of them came to Microsoft in the late '80s and  
14 started this next generation operating system that became  
15 Windows NT, and ultimately became Windows XP and Windows 7.  
16 The same operating system that I'm talking about here is the  
17 one that you would use today if you're using a Windows XP  
18 computer or a Windows 7 computer. It's the same -- you  
19 know, a much later generation, but it's really the same  
20 foundation that's in there.

21 And they spent the first few years working on the  
22 foundational work to actually make the thing fundamentally  
23 boot and run, and that was in the late '80s, early '90s.  
24 And the Cairo team was originally separate from the Windows  
25 NT group, but it was always meant to run on Windows NT.

1           Ultimately, I don't remember exactly when, it was  
2 probably '92 or '93, the Cairo team folded into the Windows  
3 NT team. I, instead of just focusing on the Cairo project,  
4 was then running what we call the Windows NT program  
5 management focusing on defining the specifications for the  
6 product that was released as Windows NT.

7       Q     Mr. Muglia, you referred to two terms in that answer  
8 that I would like to explore a little bit. You referred to  
9 reliability and security. Can you give us -- not in a very  
10 technical way, but can you explain what you mean by those  
11 two concepts?

12       A     Sure. There were really -- just for completeness,  
13 there were really three fundamental principles that this  
14 team from DEC -- it was led by a crusty man who was  
15 incredibly smart and does a great job but is often very  
16 difficult to deal with by the name of Dave Cutler. Dave is  
17 known for, you know, when he gets angry sometimes punching  
18 holes in walls and things. So he's not the easiest guy to  
19 deal with. But he's a brilliant guy and he's done amazing  
20 work over the years. One of those great pioneers in the  
21 computer industry in the early days. And Dave really led  
22 the NT project. Still works at Microsoft. The guy is 70  
23 years old. He still works at Microsoft right now.

24           THE COURT: Watch it.

25           THE WITNESS: I don't think he's punched any holes

1 in walls for a little while now. He's still there.

2           And he really had three principles that he started  
3 with when he formed Windows NT. One was this concept that  
4 it should be reliable, that really when the operating system  
5 is running, it should just not go down. It should just  
6 work. When you write an application -- you know, the  
7 operating system is built by a group at Microsoft, and then  
8 applications are built by others. Sometimes they are built  
9 by people at Microsoft, but largely they are built by people  
10 all around the world, software developers that build all  
11 kinds of applications, that those applications can't crash  
12 the operating system.

13           If something goes wrong with one of those  
14 applications -- and these things are very complicated, so  
15 there are many ways they can go wrong. There are many bugs,  
16 it's called, that can be introduced into applications. If  
17 one of them fails for some reason, it will fail, but the  
18 whole operating system will continue to run.

19           And so that's the idea of robustness or  
20 reliability, that the operating system is solid as a rock,  
21 and no matter what happens, the operating system keeps  
22 working. And that's generally true. I mean you see it  
23 today. Windows is pretty reliable today. We have servers  
24 that run for months and months at a time without even  
25 needing to be brought down that run Windows.

1           The second concept that I mentioned was security.  
2 This really did come out of the mainframe in the mini  
3 computer era. You know, in the early days, anybody could  
4 walk up to a PC and just use it. There was no idea -- no  
5 concept of logging on and authenticating who you are. And  
6 if I put a file on my computer -- this was true in the early  
7 days of DOS and Windows, it was true in Windows 95 as well,  
8 if I put a file on a computer, you know, somebody else could  
9 see it. There was no protection for that. That's the idea  
10 of security, that the files that I created are my files and  
11 no one else can see them unless I explicitly allow them to  
12 see it. That's the core idea of security.

13           There was a third concept that was fundamental in  
14 Windows NT, which we thought would be important in the  
15 1990s. It turned out to not be important, but it looks like  
16 it's something very important right now, and that was the --  
17 the third concept was this idea of portability.

18           Windows NT was designed to run on different kinds  
19 of microprocessors, different kinds of computers.  
20 Computers -- different manufacturers of computers -- just  
21 the chip, the fundamental central processing unit it's  
22 called inside a computer, they are different. So, you know,  
23 chips made by Intel, which is what all PCs use. Today, if  
24 you look, a PC or a Mac uses an Intel chip.

25           Windows NT was designed to run on those, but it

1 was also designed to run so they could be ported --  
2 portability, to run on other kinds of microprocessors. And  
3 back then there were a lot of microprocessors in existence  
4 that we thought might become interesting, microprocessors  
5 called MIPS. There was a -- DEC had a chip called Alpha.  
6 IBM had and still has a chip called Power PC. Windows NT  
7 was designed so it could run on those other architectures.

8           It turns out that that never turned out to be  
9 important because X86 -- the Intel chips have really  
10 predominated on the PCs and servers. That's what Windows  
11 runs on. But, ironically, now phones run on a different  
12 kind of chip called an arm chip. Phones and tablet devices  
13 like an iPad, they all run on the arm microprocessor.  
14 Microsoft was actually using the fact that Windows NT was  
15 designed by Dave, you know, in 1988 to be portable, to  
16 actually move Windows in the next version, Windows 8, to run  
17 on the arm processor.

18           So all three of those concepts that Dave created  
19 way back in the late '80s are all important. The fact that  
20 it's reliable or robust. The fact that it's secure is  
21 certainly very important today. It helps protect against  
22 viruses and allows users to, you know, keep their data safe.  
23 And then the fact that it's portable.

24 BY MR. HOLLEY:

25 Q     Mr. Muglia, how long were you the director of program



1 management for the Windows NT project?

2 A I was in that role until December of 1995.

3 Q To whom did you report in the hierarchy of Microsoft  
4 when you were director of program management for the Windows  
5 NT team?

6 A I reported to Jim Allchin, who was running -- he had  
7 originally been running Cairo, and he then ran Windows --  
8 all of Windows NT.

9 Q Now you mentioned Chicago and Windows NT. How, if at  
10 all, did the target customer base for Chicago, Windows 95,  
11 differ from the customer base for Windows NT?

12 A Well, Microsoft embarked on a complicated strategy in  
13 the early 1990s, but one that ultimately was quite  
14 successful, and that was that we recognized that the ideas  
15 that Windows NT had, this idea of being portable and secure  
16 and reliable, that that was the future. We needed to build  
17 servers that we could create. We also knew that some day  
18 that would be what really all PCs would do.

19 But back in the early 1990s, there was a problem, which  
20 was that Windows NT required too much resources for the  
21 common computer that people were buying. Again, you've got  
22 to put yourself back, you know, 20 years and remember what  
23 it was like back then. A PC, you know, in the -- in the  
24 early 1990s really had a meg or so of RAM.

25 Just to give you an idea. You know, if you have an

1 Android phone, you know, in your pocket, that phone has a  
2 gigabyte of storage -- of RAM storage. So it has literally  
3 a thousand times more memory than the devices did back then.  
4 I mean the phone in your pocket is literally a hundred or a  
5 thousand times more powerful than the computers that we were  
6 running on at the time. And that was sort of the state of  
7 the art, what people could afford in buying a personal  
8 computer.

9       When we looked at Windows NT, we knew it would be the  
10 future, but we knew that the hardware that people could  
11 afford to buy wasn't really available at the time. And so  
12 Microsoft actually built two operating systems at the same  
13 time. One was code named Chicago, which eventually was  
14 released into the market in 1995 as Windows 95. And that  
15 was designed to run at the time -- this is mid 1990s -- on  
16 four megabytes of RAM.

17       Now, remember, I said a phone like an Android phone has  
18 a gigabyte of RAM, or a thousand megabytes just to put it in  
19 perspective. Your personal computer today has -- if you go  
20 to the store and spend, you know, five, 600 bucks on a PC  
21 from Dell or Hewlett Packard, that computer will have four  
22 gigabytes typically or more of RAM, so 4,000 megabytes, so  
23 roughly a thousand times more.

24       So Chicago was designed to run on four megabytes, and  
25 it had a set of tradeoffs associated with that. Windows NT

1 needed -- we said that it realistically needed 16 megabytes  
2 of RAM, and, of course, even that was not really enough.  
3 But that a lot of memory back in 1995.

4 Q Mr. Muglia, can you tell me what you did, just in  
5 general terms go through the job that you had at Microsoft  
6 after December of 1995 when you stopped running a program  
7 management for Windows NT?

8 A Well, I was very fortunate. I had an opportunity to do  
9 some wonderful things working for Microsoft. After my  
10 initial work on SQL server and Windows NT, I spent 1996  
11 running our developer tools group, so the group that builds  
12 the tools that let developers write software applications.

13 In '97, I actually ran a set of server products back --  
14 servers are things that run on -- that basically run the  
15 back ends of business. Today they run the Internet.  
16 Servers are what you use to run the Internet, but also they  
17 run business applications. So when people talk about  
18 general ledger applications, for example, or e-mail servers  
19 or file servers, those are run on servers. And I ran  
20 Microsoft's set of server products for a year.

21 I then spent a couple of years working -- I switched  
22 over to the appliance side and ran Microsoft Office, and the  
23 product that we built at the time was Office 2000. So Word,  
24 Excel, PowerPoint, those products.

25 I also had a chance to do some early work on our mobile

1 devices, our Smartphone work. This was early. This was  
2 even before the days of Palm, so it was in the early days of  
3 these little devices.

4 I spent about two years on consumer services that  
5 focused on what we'll call MSN. So the Microsoft network  
6 that is a service that's available today that let's people  
7 find information. You know, you can get news and weather  
8 and things like that off of MSN. I also ran Hotmail at the  
9 time I did that. So Hotmail and our MSN product, which a  
10 lot of people use Hotmail as their e-mail system.

11 And then in 19 -- excuse me, in 2002, I moved back into  
12 what was then called the platforms group, and I started a  
13 little startup group working on storage products, file  
14 servers, again, things that shared files. And then over  
15 time picked up more responsibility running our server  
16 products. You know, ultimately had Windows server, SQL  
17 server. Up until earlier this year, I ran what was called  
18 the server and tools business at Microsoft, which was all of  
19 our back end server products.

20 And then I left Microsoft in September and am now  
21 working for a company called Juniper Networks. Juniper  
22 makes networking systems, routers and switches, things that  
23 run the back end of the Internet. When you send mail over  
24 the Internet or do a query, go to a Web site and buy  
25 something, a good chance the information is traveling across

1 Juniper equipment. But it's back end stuff that people  
2 never really see.

3 Q Mr. Muglia, what is your position at Juniper Networks?

4 A I run -- I run the software solutions division  
5 reporting to Kevin Johnson, the CEO of the company. So I'm  
6 really helping Juniper to branch out into the software  
7 business. Juniper has always been a hardware networking  
8 company and there was a lot of opportunity to build  
9 networking software, and that's what I'm doing is helping to  
10 grow this new business for Juniper.

11 Q Mr. Muglia, I would like to change topics a little bit  
12 now that we've been through your background. During the  
13 time that you were at Microsoft from 1988 until earlier this  
14 year, what, if anything, did Microsoft do to encourage  
15 independent software vendors to develop applications to run  
16 on Microsoft operating systems?

17 A Well, from the earliest days, certainly when I was at  
18 Microsoft but even before then, Microsoft realized that in  
19 order to have a successful operating system business, we  
20 needed application developers to build applications that ran  
21 on Microsoft operating systems. And so we have always had  
22 very active programs working with the -- they are called  
23 ISVs, independent software vendors. That's the industry  
24 term for it. We've always had programs to provide  
25 information to software vendors and to encourage them to use

1 features and capabilities within Microsoft operating  
2 systems.

3 Q Did Microsoft encourage ISVs to develop applications  
4 that competed with Microsoft's own applications?

5 A Yes, we did. This is sometimes confusing to people.  
6 Microsoft had and still has different groups doing different  
7 things. So Microsoft has groups building operating systems  
8 and it has other groups that build software applications  
9 that run on top of Microsoft operating systems.

10 The software applications, by the way, sometimes run on  
11 other operating systems as well, like Office for the Mac has  
12 been available for as long as I can remember and it's still  
13 the most popular office product on the Apple Macintosh. But  
14 certainly Microsoft applications groups build applications  
15 that run on Windows.

16 And Microsoft, even though we had the Office group  
17 working to build what we hoped would be the best set of  
18 productivity applications for Windows, we also worked with  
19 other groups, other companies to build competing  
20 applications. Because it's important that if a user wants  
21 to use, you know, a product from somebody else, whether it  
22 was Lotus or WordPerfect, or whoever it might be, that they  
23 could do that.

24 You know, even today, if you looked at what my old  
25 group was, you know, I ran the server groups and we built a

1 product called SQL server, which is a database, which is  
2 that first product I worked on at Microsoft, it's a database  
3 product that ran on Windows server. But Oracle and IBM  
4 built database products that run on Windows server. And  
5 there are open source products that work on Windows server.  
6 We would work with Oracle, we would work with IBM, we would  
7 work with the open source community to encourage them to  
8 build great database products. So that's been true the  
9 whole time.

10 Q Now you mentioned WordPerfect in that answer. Did  
11 Microsoft encourage WordPerfect Corporation to write  
12 applications to run on Windows?

13 A Yes, absolutely, we did. Not super successfully, but  
14 we did.

15 You know, Microsoft very much wanted WordPerfect to  
16 build a great word processor for Windows. Again, if you go  
17 back to the early days of Windows, say the early 1990s, you  
18 know, WordPerfect was used by a lot of people on  
19 particularly Microsoft's earlier character mode operating  
20 system called DOS. And so WordPerfect was very broadly used  
21 on DOS.

22 But it -- you know, as the world was moving to Windows,  
23 the world was moving to graphical operating systems, and  
24 Microsoft very much wanted WordPerfect to build a great word  
25 processor for Windows because it would make Windows more

1 popular and help to get people to buy more copies of  
2 Windows. Unfortunately, WordPerfect really resisted this.  
3 They didn't want to help Microsoft make Windows successful.  
4 They delayed in their work on Windows.

5 MR. JOHNSON: Objection, Your Honor, to what  
6 WordPerfect and what their thoughts were or strategies were.  
7 He doesn't have personal knowledge of that.

8 THE COURT: You better establish a basis for his  
9 knowledge. He can't say what WordPerfect was thinking, but  
10 if he interacted with them, then he obviously knew.

11 MR. HOLLEY: Sure.

12 BY MR. HOLLEY:

13 Q Mr. Muglia, in the early 1990s, did you have occasion  
14 in your job to pay attention to what ISVs were doing in  
15 terms of supporting different platforms?

16 A Yes, we did -- yes, I did. I worked very closely with  
17 a wide variety of ISVs, including WordPerfect, encouraging  
18 them to build applications on Windows.

19 MR. HOLLEY: Your Honor, in light of that  
20 testimony, I think Mr. Muglia should be able to continue the  
21 answer he was giving before.

22 THE COURT: Mr. Johnson -- it sounded like it was  
23 what WordPerfect was thinking. So just reask the question.

24 MR. HOLLEY: Fair enough, Your Honor.

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1 BY MR. HOLLEY:

2 Q How, if at all, did WordPerfect support early versions  
3 of Windows?

4 A They didn't.

5 Q Did you personally do anything to encourage WordPerfect  
6 to write for Windows?

7 A Yes, I did. I talked to WordPerfect people at  
8 Microsoft conferences in situations where I had a chance to  
9 interact with them. And I traveled to Utah, to Salt Lake,  
10 up to the Salt Lake area to visit WordPerfect to encourage  
11 them to build Windows applications, and then specifically to  
12 work on a technology that we were developing called OLE.  
13 But I very much did work directly with folks at WordPerfect.

14 Q Now you referred in your last answer to OLE, which is  
15 something that's come up in the trial. Can you tell us, you  
16 know, again, at a fairly general level, what OLE is?

17 A Sure. Back in -- if you go back to that period again,  
18 you know, it was often the case that people might only have  
19 a word processor or a spreadsheet. They might not own  
20 multiple applications. If you wanted to buy these, they  
21 were very expensive. These individual -- a word processor  
22 might be four or \$500. A spreadsheet might be \$500. A  
23 database product was typically \$700. And there were -- this  
24 was the days before Office brought all those things  
25 together. And there was no way to build an -- build a

1 document that had the combination of word processing  
2 information and spreadsheet information.

3       So if you think about a common document that you see  
4 today, you know, you might see this in so many ways, people  
5 providing financial information or even sometimes more  
6 casual documents, it's very common to have the text of the  
7 document and then to have a chart embedded in it, or even a  
8 picture embedded in it. You can see that all the time  
9 today.

10       Back then, there wasn't a way to do that. You could  
11 have text and you could have a chart, but they were  
12 separate. And the idea behind object linking and embedding  
13 was the technology that let you put a chart that was built  
14 by a spreadsheet application into a word processing  
15 document. That's really what that technology was about.

16       And OLE was the technology that Microsoft had developed  
17 and ultimately was the one which became successful in  
18 enabling the whole industry to build these documents, which  
19 are sometimes called compound documents, documents that have  
20 different kinds of objects in them. And really they are  
21 just presented in a way that makes the information more  
22 palatable and easier for the user to understand, the person  
23 who's reading the document.

24 Q       Mr. Muglia, which group at Microsoft initially  
25 developed the object linking and embedding technology?

1 A It was originally developed by the Office group. The  
2 Office group was the organization that really had the  
3 customer problem. The customers wanted to build these  
4 compound documents. So Office created the OLE technology.

5 But we -- after they had done the initial work, we  
6 recognized that it was -- and even they recognized that it  
7 was important that it be usable by others besides Office.  
8 So sure you might want to put a chart from a spreadsheet in  
9 a document, but maybe if you've got a drawing that was done  
10 by another drawing company, like Corel Draw or something  
11 like that, or if you had an architectural diagram that  
12 contained the blueprints of something, that maybe you wanted  
13 to put some of that inside a document.

14 So having the ability for third-party ISVs to use this  
15 same OLE technology was something that even the Office group  
16 recognized was important. And certainly, you know, those of  
17 us in the operating system group thought it was particularly  
18 important. And so ultimately the technology was moved into  
19 the Windows -- actually the Windows NT group and my group  
20 began program managing.

21 Q Now I believe you said you came here to Utah to talk to  
22 WordPerfect about OLE. And what did you say?

23 A Well, at the time there was -- the only product that  
24 was really -- the only group -- the only technology, I  
25 should say, that was gaining any success in the marketplace

1 for doing this idea of creating compound documents was OLE.  
2 But WordPerfect had been working with a number of other  
3 companies on an alternative technology called OpenDoc. And  
4 I wanted to encourage WordPerfect to use OLE as they -- as  
5 they built their applications. You know, I also in general  
6 wanted to encourage WordPerfect to build a great Windows  
7 application.

8       And from my perspective, you know, they were --  
9 although Windows was obviously important, this was a time  
10 when I believe I visited them in 1994, so Windows 3.1 had  
11 been in the market for some time and was gaining a great  
12 deal of success in the marketplace. And, you know,  
13 WordPerfect had not released a word processor that had -- I  
14 don't even think they released anything. But certainly they  
15 hadn't released anything at the time that had gained any  
16 market success. From the Windows group's perspective that  
17 was really bad. We wanted WordPerfect to build a great  
18 product for Windows. And, you know, they just weren't doing  
19 it. They were working on other things. They just didn't  
20 prioritize it. I don't know what they were thinking, but  
21 they just weren't focused on what was important commercially  
22 in the market.

23       It was a real problem for those of us in the Windows  
24 group because, you know, we wanted a good word processor  
25 from WordPerfect. So I came out to encourage them to build

1 a great Windows product for Windows 95 and Windows NT. I  
2 very specifically went out to talk to them about using this  
3 technology called OLE because that technology was going to  
4 be very important. If you are building a word processor,  
5 that technology was going to be important. And WordPerfect  
6 wasn't paying attention to it. And, you know, they just --  
7 they needed to if they were going to be successful. So I  
8 just wanted to encourage them.

9 Q Now you mentioned a technology called OpenDoc. Was  
10 that more prevalent than OLE in the early 1990s?

11 A No, OpenDoc never went anywhere. There were no  
12 commercially viable products built on OpenDoc. So  
13 WordPerfect was, from my perspective, wasting their time on  
14 this technology. And there was -- really, they could use  
15 OLE. There was no reason for them not to use OLE. And I  
16 wanted them to do what I thought would be best for them and,  
17 frankly, it would best for Microsoft too. But, no, OpenDoc  
18 went nowhere.

19 Q I would like to show you a document that's been marked  
20 as Plaintiff's Exhibit 502. Mr. Muglia, this document  
21 marked as Plaintiff's Exhibit 502, can you tell us what this  
22 is, please?

23 A Well, this is a document that -- I don't know if I ever  
24 received this document or not. It doesn't have my e-mail  
25 address on it. It would either have my name or typically my

1 e-mail ID, Bobmu, which was my e-mail -- it was my e-mail at  
2 Microsoft. But if you see down below it talks about the  
3 agenda and it has Bobmu in it, that would be me. And this  
4 would be the meeting -- this was a document that was  
5 prepared by Tony Williams, who was the architect for OLE, to  
6 Brad Struss, who ran our -- who worked on evangelism, that  
7 developed the evangelism group to specifically work with  
8 WordPerfect to help get them to do Windows applications, to  
9 build Windows apps. It talked about the agenda of that  
10 meeting that I was referring to.

11 Q Now under the heading proposed agenda, Bobmu -- which  
12 is the reference to you, correct?

13 A That's correct.

14 Q It says, OLE/COM futures. What is OLE/COM? Is that  
15 the same thing we've been talking about?

16 A I mean OLE is the technology I was talking about, which  
17 is to build these compound documents, and COM is sort of an  
18 underlying technology. It stands for component object  
19 model, and it's an underlying technology that enables OLE to  
20 work and build these compound documents. And futures is  
21 just talking about things that were coming.

22 Q And at the end of the line next to your name it says  
23 Stevem. Who is that a reference to?

24 A That references Steve Madigan, who was a program  
25 manager who worked for me at the time doing -- particularly

1 working on UI work and user interface work and working on  
2 this next generation shell, which was called Cairo.

3 Q It says, Cairo shell demo. Why were you demonstrating  
4 the Cairo shell to WordPerfect in February of 1994?

5 A Well, in February of 1994, we had believed that this  
6 concept -- this idea that Bill had originally spoken about,  
7 information at your fingertips, we knew that was important.  
8 It turned out to be very important because although what  
9 Bill wanted to happen didn't actually happen in terms of the  
10 way the products we built came to market, you know, we lived  
11 in a world where that vision Bill had in 1990 of information  
12 at your fingertips is very true today. And Cairo was our  
13 project at the time. Like I say, it ultimately wasn't  
14 successful, but it was our project at the time to implement  
15 that.

16 And we were -- in some circumstances, not broadly, but  
17 sometimes for really important ISVs that we really cared a  
18 lot about, we would show them the work that we were doing in  
19 the early days of trying to build this next generation line.  
20 And WordPerfect was important to us. They were an important  
21 ISV. We wanted them to see where we were taking things in  
22 the future. So we did a demo at that -- a demonstration at  
23 that meeting here in Utah to show WordPerfect some of the  
24 ideas we had where we thought we were going at the time.

25 Q We've heard a lot in the trial about the concept of

1 shell extensibility. Was there any extensibility in the  
2 Cairo shell at this time?

3 A Oh, yeah. Part of the idea of Cairo was that it was  
4 very customizable by software vendors, and there was a wide  
5 amount of options for software vendors to build extensions  
6 to Cairo to customize the environment to meet the needs of  
7 their applications, the apps that they developed.

8 Q Was the shell extensibility in Cairo the same as the  
9 shell extensibility in Chicago?

10 A No. No, it wasn't. You know, I mentioned that  
11 Microsoft had this challenge that we wanted to build -- we  
12 were doing sort of two things at the same time. We were  
13 building this -- Dave and his team -- Dave Cutler and his  
14 team were building this next generation operating system  
15 called Windows NT. And Bill had this idea of doing  
16 information at your fingertips, and we were building this  
17 very sophisticated set of features and capabilities to  
18 implement that vision that we code named Cairo. Those two  
19 groups were working together, Windows NT, next generation  
20 operating system.

21 Cairo was this, you know, very futuristic way of doing  
22 queries and finding that information really easily. Cairo  
23 had a lot of features. Frankly, too many features. Part of  
24 the reason Cairo failed was it was too broad for the time  
25 and we overshot what we could realistically accomplish. So



1 Cairo had one approach for doing things.

2       And, you know, in this same time we were parallel  
3 because all of the technology that was being built by the  
4 Windows NT group and the Cairo group required computers that  
5 were more powerful than what people could buy at the time.  
6 In order for us to be commercially viable in the market and  
7 to keep the market forward, there was this other group, the  
8 Windows group, Chicago group, ultimately the group that  
9 built the product called Windows 95 that were taking and  
10 evolving Windows in a much more evolutionary approach.

11       If you go back, there was, you know, the early days of  
12 Windows. There was the first viable version of Windows  
13 called Windows 3 that I think came out in '91. It was  
14 roughly '91, maybe '90 that it came out. And then Windows  
15 3.1, which became a very big commercial success. Well, the  
16 same group that built Windows 3.1, which was designed to run  
17 on the generation of computers that was affordable at the  
18 time, that group was evolving forward and was building this  
19 next generation, this next version of Windows that was code  
20 named Chicago.

21       You know, the groups worked -- they shared ideas. So,  
22 you know, the ideas that the Cairo team was building were  
23 often, you know, adopted by the Windows team. But I mean  
24 it's sort of embarrassing really. We didn't get along very  
25 well. And that was true at the senior management level and

1 it was true, you know, by some of the engineers working  
2 together. From my perspective, it almost felt like the  
3 Windows team, Chicago team was stealing all the good ideas  
4 that we came up with in Cairo and building it into their  
5 product, but they always did it differently. So they didn't  
6 wind up using any of the interface design work that my team  
7 was doing.

8 So if my team was suggesting that an ISV would extend  
9 the user interface using a particular set of programming  
10 interfaces, the Chicago team would build the same feature,  
11 the same capability, but they just did it in a different  
12 way. There were sometimes reasons for it, but largely they  
13 were just doing it to be expeditious and get something done.

14 So while things looked the same from a developer  
15 perspective, they were quite different. And the teams  
16 fought. I mean they fought like cats and dogs on this  
17 internally. There were squabbles going on all the time.  
18 That happened at my boss's level between Jim Allchin and  
19 Brad Silverberg. It happened at my level, which was -- my  
20 counterpart was a man by the -- is a man by the name of  
21 David Cole. You know, but I still -- he left Microsoft. I  
22 still get along with David, but it was a testy relationship  
23 at the time. Then it happened below me in my teams and  
24 other folks as well.

25 Q What difference, if any, did it make to you as the

1 director of Windows NT program management that the Chicago  
2 team was implementing features in a different way than the  
3 Windows NT team?

4 A Well, it was awful, because the idea was that we have  
5 these two parallel tracks and they are supposed to  
6 eventually kind of get to the same place. So, you know, the  
7 idea was that when Chicago was released, we would release a  
8 version roughly coincident with that of Windows NT that  
9 required bigger computers, but that was -- you know, it was  
10 released at about the same time. And the idea was that the  
11 same applications would run on both.

12 So if -- you know, let's just say -- you know, let's  
13 take Pagemaker. Pagemaker was a commonly used desktop  
14 publishing product at the time, still exists in some form or  
15 another. It's now an Adobe product. If Pagemaker was  
16 released and it ran on Windows 95, the idea was it should  
17 run exactly the same on Windows NT. But if the things --  
18 the program interfaces that it calls on Windows 95 are  
19 different than the ones it would call on Windows NT, then it  
20 couldn't run the same unless the developer built two  
21 versions of the product.

22 So we were developing -- we were developing this work  
23 in the Cairo team, doing the leading edge stuff, building --  
24 you know, building this technology. And the Chicago group  
25 was doing the same thing. You know, like I say, it felt

1 like they were stealing our best ideas, but then they would  
2 implement them differently, and they were charging ahead.  
3 And so we fought.

4 Q What concerns, if any, Mr. Muglia, did you have about  
5 the way in which the Chicago team implemented shell  
6 extensibility?

7 A Well, that was an area of particular disagreement  
8 largely because we had two very different design points in  
9 terms of what we were trying to accomplish. The Windows NT  
10 and Cairo team were building towards this vision that Bill  
11 had of information at your fingertips, so we had some very  
12 sophisticated mechanisms that would carry the shell. It did  
13 require more memory. And the Chicago team were building a  
14 very -- they used -- they had a very different code base for  
15 the shell. They weren't using any of the code that my team  
16 had developed -- or that were developed by the Windows NT  
17 team I should say. And they were building a shell that  
18 looked a lot like -- looked a lot like the Cairo shell, but,  
19 in fact, it was implemented in a completely different way  
20 and had a totally different set of interfaces. That's all  
21 of the shell extensibility interfaces. And Chicago was  
22 filled with shell extensibility interfaces. There were a  
23 lot of them -- there still are actually. That shell, in  
24 some form or another, still runs in Windows XP and  
25 Windows 7.

1 Q How, if at all, did the principles that you described  
2 earlier that Mr. Cutler was trying to implement in Windows  
3 NT, reliability, security and portability, affect your  
4 attitude toward the Chicago shell extensions?

5 A Well, it was a problem. You know, if you go back over  
6 time, the early days, we just had two totally different  
7 implementations. You know, the '93, you know, I think into  
8 the '94 time frame, we were building this Cairo shell with  
9 its own implementation, and it very much was following, you  
10 know, Dave's design points of reliability and security.

11 So, you know, the idea was that even though you wrote  
12 an application that extended the shell, the Cairo shell, if  
13 that application does something wrong, if it crashes or  
14 stops working, hangs -- that's called a hang where  
15 something on the computer just stops, if it does either of  
16 those two things, it wouldn't affect the operating system.

17 And, you know, the Chicago team, they just -- that was  
18 not their design point. I mean, again, their design point  
19 was being compatible with the existing Windows apps, which  
20 there were many at the time, running four megabytes on this  
21 relatively small amount of memory. And, you know, they  
22 didn't go out -- they didn't seek to build unreliable  
23 systems, but the design point they had did build a system  
24 which had reliability issues. So if an application  
25 misbehaved, if it crashed or hung, it could bring the whole

1 operating system down.

2 That was a big problem with the work that was being  
3 done in the Chicago shell. It was a big problem, and it was  
4 one of the points of significant contention between David  
5 Cole and myself.

6 Q What, if anything, did you say about these concerns you  
7 have just expressed to more senior managers at Microsoft?

8 A Well, it became a significant issue. I mean recognize  
9 that this got to the foundation of this key strategy we had,  
10 which was, you know, we knew NT was the future because we  
11 knew that the principles Dave had laid down were right, but  
12 the principles required more horsepower, required more  
13 computing power than PCs at the time could run.

14 We thought Cairo would be super important. And while  
15 the idea was important, the implementation turned out not to  
16 be over time. But we thought it was important. Meanwhile,  
17 we needed the Windows group and Brad Silverberg and David  
18 Cole and his band of merry men, they were building something  
19 that was important commercially in the marketplace. And,  
20 you know, we kind of thought of these guys as cowboys.  
21 That's what it felt like to us in the Windows NT group.

22 Because the strategy of having a short-term operating  
23 system, short term as it turned out ran until about 2000 if  
24 you look back in history, but having a short-term operating  
25 system built on the Windows code base, the Chicago code base

1 was important for the company. In the long term Windows NT  
2 would be important. There was contention about trying to do  
3 this in a way that allowed for a graceful transition. And  
4 one of the key things was that applications were supposed to  
5 be compatible between the two -- the two systems.

6 And, you know, we were going one way in the Windows NT  
7 and they were going another way. So we fought and, you  
8 know, it got escalated. Certainly Jim and Brad argued  
9 vehemently about it. Paul Maritz was trying to manage these  
10 guys. And, you know, Bill Gates ultimately got involved  
11 and, you know, helped to sort out some of the technical  
12 decisions. So it was very much escalated and there were  
13 definitely conversations about this.

14 Q Are you familiar, Mr. Muglia, with something called the  
15 namespace extension APIs?

16 A Yes, I am. In the Chicago -- in the design of the  
17 Chicago shell, as I said, there were a wide variety of APIs  
18 that allow software developers to extend the functionality  
19 of Windows. You know, you can actually see this, and you  
20 see this visibly true today. You know, if you look at the  
21 bottom -- if you look at the desktop -- as I say, the  
22 Chicago shell that we're talking about, this thing that was  
23 in great contention in 1993, that same code is in Windows 7  
24 today. It's changed over time, but it's evolved. But it is  
25 the evolution of that code base that went into Windows XP

1 and Windows 7, because ultimately the Windows NT code base  
2 became the code base of Windows for the Chicago shell code  
3 base continuing forward.

4       If you look at the shell, you see at the bottom there  
5 is this thing called a tray. It's got the start menu and  
6 there's a tray. In the right-hand side of that, there are a  
7 series of icons. Those icons get added by ISVs. Those are  
8 done by a form of shell extension. You know, if you right  
9 click on something in the shell, you can see a context menu.  
10 The menu items in there can be extended by ISVs. Those are  
11 examples of shell extensions.

12       Those are things that are very commonly used and  
13 extended by ISVs. In fact, they are so commonly used that  
14 today they have too many -- too many of them running on many  
15 of our computers. It's one of the things that drives people  
16 crazy about Windows.

17       But there was a particular class of extension -- of API  
18 called namespace extensions, which for a variety of reasons  
19 back in the early '90s became highly contentious, largely  
20 because they were -- they were the most problematic in terms  
21 of these concepts of reliability. But the namespace  
22 extensions are a kind of an API set that turned out to be  
23 not very important at all. For all of the discussion back  
24 then, they are not used very broadly.

25       And the only kind of applications that would even



1 possibly use them -- possibly use them are applications like  
2 mail applications, or maybe a desktop publishing system.  
3 But, you know, a common word processor spreadsheet would  
4 never even -- namespace extensions made no sense for those  
5 applications. So they were a subset, a class of the APIs.

6 Q Let's talk about some of the things you said in that  
7 answer. Why is it, in your view, that a word processor or a  
8 spreadsheet would not use the namespace extension APIs?

9 A Well, I mean you've got to understand what these things  
10 do. And it's sort of funny because if we look at the way  
11 computers work today, they just don't work the way we  
12 thought they might have worked back in the 1990s, and  
13 certainly they don't work the way the namespace extensions  
14 would have allowed.

15 You know, you see when you -- on a Windows computer,  
16 frankly, even a Macintosh, it's quite similar on a Mac, when  
17 you want to open a word processing document, let's say  
18 you've gotten a document, maybe it was mailed to you and you  
19 saved it into the file system or you have a little thumb  
20 drive and you put it in, you know, Windows will open a  
21 folder, which is literally a view onto the file system, and  
22 you can see that document there. And if you just double  
23 click on the document, the word processing application or  
24 spreadsheet application will open.

25 The namespace extensions were designed for a very

1 different idea. They had this idea -- it was this idea, it  
2 somewhat came from Bill and information at your fingertips  
3 vision, which was a great vision, but there were some things  
4 that didn't come true, as I said. The idea of the namespace  
5 extension was that you want to use the operating system just  
6 to like open a document and view it in there. But when  
7 you're doing other things, like your e-mail, you know,  
8 working on e-mail, you would do that in the context of the  
9 operating system.

10 So, you know, what the namespace extensions did is they  
11 would let you look at visually things that don't exist  
12 physically in a file system. As I said, a word processing  
13 document or spreadsheet, that actually physically exists in  
14 the file system, so you don't need the namespace extensions  
15 for that, which is why I say word processors and  
16 spreadsheets would never even use them. But the kind of  
17 application that might use them, let's say you wanted to  
18 look at your e-mail, and, you know, the idea of the  
19 namespace extension was, gee, you know, maybe the best tool  
20 to use for your e-mail would be Windows itself and to use  
21 the Explorer in Windows, the thing that allows you to find  
22 files, to actually use that to view your e-mail.

23 In retrospect it didn't make sense. We don't use that  
24 today. Today people use products like Outlook or Notes, or  
25 something to -- you know, or Google, or whatever, Gmail to

1 look at their e-mail. They go to the special purpose  
2 applications to view their e-mail. But Bill had this  
3 vision that, you know, it's very Bill Gates like. Bill is a  
4 brilliant guy, but, you know, he has a particular view on  
5 the world and sometimes Bill is a little bit -- you know,  
6 he's a little pointy headed for the normal mortal. And he  
7 had this view that people would use the operating system  
8 Explorer and -- you know, Bill just loves -- like I say, he  
9 loves hierarchies and he loves the idea you could browse  
10 through things. It just seems so natural to Bill that you  
11 would start in file system, you would keep browsing, and  
12 eventually you would get to an e-mail message. And you  
13 would use the Explorer, the Windows operating system shell,  
14 to view your e-mail messages.

15 Well, that's what the namespace extensions were for. I  
16 mean they were for using Windows to view things that didn't  
17 physically exist in the file system, that existed -- that  
18 existed -- they were there, but they were actually inside  
19 another file. So if you technically look at the way Outlook  
20 works today, there is a big massive file that Outlook  
21 maintains that has all of your e-mail in it. And, you know,  
22 if look at that file and the file system, all you see is  
23 this big file and you can't do anything with it.

24 Well, if the namespace extensions had amounted to a  
25 hill of beans, you could have gone into the Explorer in

1 Windows and instead of seeing this big file, you would see  
2 e-mail messages and you could open those e-mail messages  
3 with the Windows Explorer. That was the idea that Bill had  
4 and that's what the namespace extensions were for, they  
5 allowed you to use the operating systems Explorer to view,  
6 you know, any kind of object, like an e-mail message, or  
7 maybe a document management system would use it.

8 It turned out to not matter. It's not what people  
9 want. It's just not what people do. So, you know, although  
10 these things were talked about back then, they were never  
11 important. They never amounted to anything in the industry.  
12 Nobody uses things like this today. And instead people used  
13 products like Outlook. I mean if you want to look at your  
14 e-mail, you don't use the Windows Explorer, you use Outlook,  
15 or you use Gmail, or you use Hotmail, or you use whatever  
16 tool -- AOL, or whatever tool you use. That's the way the  
17 world wants to work. The namespace extensions were meant  
18 for something that never really mattered.

19 You know, ironically, the funny thing is that the world  
20 has gone in the opposite direction. You look at an iPhone,  
21 look at an iPad, they don't even have a file system you can  
22 see today. You know, we thought back then that everything  
23 would be done through the file system.

24 Well, today, you know, modern, new devices don't even  
25 make the file system visible. You don't even see that on

1 your iPad. Instead you see apps, just like you see Outlook  
2 on Windows. That's what the namespace extensions were. You  
3 know, we thought they would matter, but they were totally  
4 unimportant. And even when we thought they would matter,  
5 they would matter to a small class of applications.

6 Q Mr. Muglia, in an earlier answer you referred to  
7 reliability in connection with the namespace extension APIs.  
8 Can you tell me what you meant by that, sir?

9 A Well, you know, this comes back to these principles  
10 that Dave had set about, you know, building a system that  
11 doesn't crash and apps don't crash. Well, unfortunately,  
12 all the Chicago -- the entire Chicago shell was not built  
13 with that principle. And, you know, operating systems have  
14 ways to -- or at least let's put it this way, a modern  
15 operating system like Windows NT, Windows 7 today has ways  
16 to isolate the work that applications were developing. So  
17 that when they build something, if it goes down, it doesn't  
18 bring the operating system down. It's often referred to as  
19 a separate process. It's done separately. The operating  
20 system can isolate that and protect the rest of itself from  
21 it.

22 Chicago wasn't really built that way. Chicago just  
23 didn't have these process boundaries that a modern system  
24 like Windows NT had. And because of the memory limitations,  
25 there were some viable technical reasons, some real

1 technical limitations that caused this.

2       The Chicago shell was designed so that if something  
3 goes wrong, that -- you know, it was designed in a way so  
4 that when an ISV extended the shell, it did so in the same  
5 process that the shell actually ran in. What that means is  
6 that if that application crashes, it can crash the shell and  
7 it can bring the system down from the end user perspective.

8       That was true for almost -- I think all of -- if not  
9 all of most of the extensions, the shell extensions that  
10 Chicago had. And, again, it was a design point. I mean it  
11 wasn't like they were actively trying to build an unreliable  
12 system. It was really that they were trying to run in four  
13 megabytes. And this protection, this process separation  
14 takes memory, and they just didn't have the memory. So it  
15 was designed so that, you know, things ran in the process.

16       Well, the worst -- all of these were a problem, but the  
17 one that was by far the worst were these namespace  
18 extensions because most of the code that a developer would  
19 write was just a very simple set of things. Let's take that  
20 context menu that I described earlier. When you right click  
21 on something, ISVs can add lines to the menu. They can add  
22 menu items. So you see this in Windows today. You right  
23 click and you see a standard set of functions, cut, copy,  
24 paste. Then delete, rename, you might see functions like  
25 that. But you also might see a function that says backup

1 or, you know, a function that says archive. Those are  
2 things that would be extended by an ISV. Those are context  
3 menu extensions they're called.

4 Well, the thing about that is it's just a few lines of  
5 code. So to write that extension, it might be 20 lines of  
6 code. You can blow it on 20 lines of code. You can get 20  
7 lines of code wrong and have an error, but your likelihood  
8 of getting this right is pretty high.

9 The shell extensions, on the other hand, basically ran  
10 an entire application in the context of the shell. So it  
11 would be like you're running Outlook -- all of Outlook  
12 inside the Windows operating system. If Outlook failed, the  
13 Windows operating system would crash. You know, Outlook is  
14 millions of lines of code.

15 So while the Chicago shell extensions all have this  
16 attribute, they do not follow the robustness principles that  
17 Dave had set down. The shell extensions, the -- excuse me,  
18 the namespace extensions were the worst of the worst,  
19 because they encouraged ISVs to run their entire application  
20 in the context of the operating system.

21 Now, you know, I hate to say it, but applications  
22 crash. I've seen many applications crash. I've mentioned  
23 Outlook a few times. Outlook, in particular, sometimes  
24 hangs and crashes. You know, the idea that you are running  
25 all of that in Windows means that -- you know, today if

1 Windows Outlook fails, at least you can keep doing other  
2 things. You can stop Outlook and keep going.

3 Well, if it was running in the context of the shell, it  
4 might bring all of Windows down. That's one of the reasons  
5 why I particularly despised these interfaces because -- and  
6 was really working hard to get them to be -- you know, to  
7 not be shipped because they were so bad. Like I say, they  
8 were all not great, but this was the worst of the worst.

9 Q Mr. Muglia, when you say you were working hard to stop  
10 the namespace extension APIs from being used, can you tell  
11 us what you did on that score?

12 A Well, I mean I -- you know, this was -- I did many  
13 things. I tried to work with David Cole and the Chicago  
14 team. But, like I say, we mostly fought like cats and dogs.  
15 I talked to Paul and Jim and Bill to try and encourage them  
16 not to do it. I even at various times worked with the  
17 Microsoft applications groups to encourage them to take my  
18 side and focus on something that would provide much more --  
19 much better service in the long run that would do this in a  
20 way that was consistent with the NT principles.

21 You know, in a way, there were sort of two periods of  
22 time. There was the period of time when we were developing  
23 the Cairo shell where we had a competing set of interfaces,  
24 a competing design. And then there was the time after that  
25 when we decided we would not go forward with the Cairo shell



1 in Windows NT but instead used the Chicago shell.

2 Then I was just sort of desperately trying to make  
3 these things as reliable as I possibly could. You know, I  
4 kind of inherited the mess. We were doing everything  
5 possible to try and make it as reliable as possible.  
6 Whereas Windows NT was designed from the beginning to be  
7 reliable, the Chicago shell was not. And so once we decided  
8 to use the Chicago shell, we had to try and salvage what we  
9 could and sort of make it as reliable as possible.

10 You know, of the interfaces that the Chicago shell had,  
11 by far the worst and the one we just didn't know how we  
12 could successfully implement was the namespace extensions.

13 Q Now, Mr. Muglia, the jury has heard at the trial that  
14 there was documentation provided for the namespace extension  
15 APIs, something called the M6 beta of the operating system.  
16 If these namespace extension APIs were as bad as you say  
17 they were, why were they documented in June of 1994?

18 A Well, that was the question I asked actually. You  
19 know, Jim, myself and the Windows NT guys, we sort of  
20 thought Brad and David and those guys were a bunch of  
21 cowboys. They were going out doing stuff that it didn't  
22 seem like -- it always felt duplicitous to us -- we thought  
23 duplicitous. And we thought we had an agreement that they  
24 wouldn't go ahead and publish this. But, you know, they  
25 kind of took the approach that, you know, if they got there

1 first, you know, they could claim the territory and people  
2 would start to use them, and then they could shove it all  
3 down our throat.

4 So they went out and documented these things. And I  
5 was pretty angry. I was pretty angry when it happened. Jim  
6 was pretty angry. I was pretty angry. But that's what  
7 happened. And so there was a big fight internally over the  
8 fact they went ahead and published those.

9 Q Why did you care as a member of the Windows NT team  
10 whether or not the Chicago namespace extension APIs had been  
11 published to ISVs?

12 A Well, as I said, we had these two parallel tracks that  
13 were supposed to go to the same city. And, you know, these  
14 guys were out telling ISVs to use these set of APIs. You  
15 know, we had a different set. And basically because they  
16 were going to ship first, they were commercially going to  
17 get a lot of success. It meant that basically we would have  
18 to support what they did. I mean ultimately what happened  
19 by them going forward and publishing it, ultimately what it  
20 meant was that we were not able to go forward with the Cairo  
21 shell as we had planned.

22 Now to be fair, Cairo had its own problems. I'm not  
23 going to tell you that -- you know, if I look back 20/20,  
24 that Cairo was a fantastic project and didn't have any  
25 challenges of its own, it had plenty. But, you know, the

1 nail in the coffin of Cairo was publishing these interfaces,  
2 the Chicago shell interfaces, all of them, because what it  
3 meant was that -- and in particular these namespace  
4 extensions, which we didn't know how to support, because  
5 what it meant was that we couldn't build the Cairo shell and  
6 support all of these things.

7       So ultimately the Cairo shell was canceled and, you  
8 know, the people were merged into the Office team and, you  
9 know, we moved forward with Windows NT, but with really  
10 leaving the Cairo vision to be done in the future, which  
11 ultimately, like I say, sort of happened with the Internet.

12       So in hindsight, the world kind of caught up to Cairo,  
13 but Cairo itself failed. You know, I would say it wasn't  
14 one thing, but clearly supporting the Chicago shell  
15 extensions was sort of the final straw that broke the  
16 camel's back.

17 Q       Now I would like to turn to a slightly different topic,  
18 which is a retreat at Mr. Gates's place on the Hood Canal in  
19 June of 1993. Did you attend that retreat, Mr. Muglia?

20 A       Yes, I did.

21 Q       I would like to show you what's been marked as  
22 Plaintiff's Exhibit 52. Now you are not on this e-mail,  
23 Mr. Muglia, and I don't know whether you've ever seen this  
24 document before, but I do want to direct your attention to  
25 the third page, the page numbered three at the top. It has

1 this Bates number 9441 at the bottom. It says Bobmu-Cairo.

2 Do you see that?

3 A Yes, I do.

4 Q Do you recall making any sort of presentation about  
5 Cairo at this retreat?

6 A Yes, vaguely. It was a long time ago, but, yes, I do.  
7 I remember the retreat pretty clearly. I do remember  
8 presenting there.

9 Q Further down the page there is a section entitled notes  
10 from breakout presentation, and at the very bottom it says,  
11 ship extensible shell in Office. Wire the features we need  
12 for Chicago into the Explorer, e.g. mail integration,  
13 printman, CPanel, fonts, et cetera. Billg says do it.

14 Based on your attendance at the retreat, was a plan  
15 formulated to remove extensibility from Windows 95 and put  
16 it in Microsoft Office?

17 A No, no, never was. I mean one of the things I would  
18 call your attention to is what you just said, which is it  
19 says notes from breakout presentations and wrap up. The way  
20 a retreat at Microsoft would typically be done is, you know,  
21 the first part of the retreat we would have presentations of  
22 the team, what the company strategy might be, and, you know,  
23 Bill might talk, Paul Maritz might talk, and maybe Jim  
24 Allchin and Brad, maybe in something like that I would  
25 present what my team is doing in Cairo, and David Cole might

1 have presented what he was doing in Chicago.

2 But then very typically -- these retreats are often two  
3 days long. Very typically, we would have breakouts. And,  
4 you know, the idea behind breakouts was just brainstorming,  
5 pure brainstorming, coming up with ideas that might be  
6 interesting. So we would break into small groups, you know,  
7 three or four people, maybe a few more. Sometimes we would  
8 be given topics to focus on, specific areas, you know, maybe  
9 changes in technology or competition issues, you know,  
10 competitors, or maybe focusing on where the industry is  
11 going, whatever it might be. And then these teams were  
12 given assignments to come up with ideas. And, you know,  
13 they typically would meet for an hour and a half. They are  
14 very free flowing, people are just talking and thinking and  
15 brainstorming. And then they would take a flip chart and  
16 write the results of that, you know, that brainstorming on a  
17 flip chart.

18 You know, this is notes from breakouts. So what this  
19 is is notes from, you know, a freewheeling and brainstorming  
20 session that a few folks got together to do as a part of  
21 this retreat.

22 So one of the ideas that came up was this idea of an  
23 office shell. And, you know, it's an idea. It was thought  
24 of, it was discussed in this brainstorming session. It  
25 never went anywhere. We never put a project in place.

1 There was never a team assigned to it. It was never  
2 something that went forward in any substantive way.  
3 Certainly we never, ever moved on a plan of taking the APIs  
4 out of Chicago. As I said, the opposite in fact. Chicago  
5 had these APIs, they were published, and certainly went  
6 forward. They exist today literally in Windows 7. So that  
7 certainly never happened.

8 But there was never an office shell. There was never a  
9 team that built an office shell and it never went anywhere.  
10 This was just notes from a brainstorming session that a few  
11 folks talked about at this breakout.

12 Q Mr. Muglia, I would like to show you another document  
13 which you have seen at the trail from this retreat,  
14 Plaintiff's Exhibit 51. Mr. Muglia, your name is not among  
15 the team members listed on the front of this document, but I  
16 would like to direct your attention to the page -- they  
17 don't have internal numbers, but the slide that has the  
18 Bates number 2535292. It's three-quarters of the way  
19 through the documents. It's entitled the radical extreme,  
20 the office shell. There is a reference here to -- the  
21 second bullet point says Chicago shell is nonextensible.

22 Did that occur?

23 A No, it did not. I mean I would reference -- you know,  
24 again, I don't know where this -- this document I first saw  
25 literally yesterday in preparation for my testimony this

1 morning. I don't recall it at all. But, you know, I would  
2 actually prefer to go back to the first page for just a  
3 second, if I might.

4       On the first page, you know, I will note what it says,  
5 group one topic. This is exactly what I was describing. I  
6 don't know whether this document was from that particular  
7 retreat or not, it might -- very well might have been. But,  
8 you know, I mentioned that you'd get a set of groups  
9 together and they would be given a topic assignment, a  
10 group -- a group would get a topic assignment. There might  
11 be five groups and they might each get a different topic.  
12 As I say, you wrote things up in flip charts. You sometimes  
13 wrote them up in PowerPoint slides. This appears to be a  
14 PowerPoint presentation that came out of one of these  
15 breakout sessions.

16       So I will just point out to begin with, this is this  
17 brainstorming. This appears to be a document that reflects  
18 a discussion that was had during a brainstorming session.  
19 You can see from this first page the group one topic. This  
20 is the topic that group was assigned to. Specifically it  
21 was assigned how can Windows -- Chicago help increase the  
22 sale of Microsoft apps, how can it increase market share,  
23 and how can Microsoft apps help Chicago. In other words,  
24 how can the applications group at Microsoft help the Windows  
25 group and vice versa, which is certainly something we

1 discussed.

2           So now if I refer back to the page that you had  
3 referenced, you know, one of the ideas they had apparently  
4 was what they entitled the radical extreme, you know, this  
5 office shell. And so this, you know, group of -- you can  
6 see the names, by the way, of the guys that worked there.  
7 Mike Maples, John Lazarus, Tandy Trower, Steve Madigan,  
8 David Cole, Chris Graham, Ed Freeze and Nathan Myhrvold.  
9 You know, that group of people got together for two hours,  
10 had a brainstorming session where they were assigned to  
11 think about and think about ideas, you know, in a short  
12 period that might be interesting for, you know, the company  
13 to do in terms of how Windows can help Office and vice  
14 versa. You know, they came up with a number of ideas in  
15 this document.

16           If you look at the full document, it has a whole bunch  
17 of ideas. You know, one of the ideas that they chose to say  
18 was extremely radical was an office shell, and so they wrote  
19 that down. And, you know, it's a fine brainstorming idea  
20 that nobody ever got assigned to and never was a plan and we  
21 never did anything with.

22 Q       In particular, back on this page 292 at the bottom, did  
23 Microsoft ever go forward with the idea of making the  
24 Chicago shell nonextensible?

25 A       No. I mean, as I said, we never did that. We



1 published for a broad set of APIs in Chicago. ISVs used  
2 those APIs. They exist in Windows 7 today. Many of those  
3 APIs are exactly the same today as were defined in the '94  
4 time frame, '93 time frame, and there are a lot of them.

5 Q Now I would like to show you, Mr. Muglia, what's been  
6 marked as Defendant's Exhibit 49. Is this an e-mail that  
7 you wrote in July of 1993?

8 A Yes, it is.

9 Q The title is office shell; is that correct?

10 A Yes, it is.

11 Q Can you explain to me what you were doing in laying out  
12 those three options that you list in this e-mail?

13 A Well, I mean this was -- you know, this was after that  
14 offsite I believe, and we were talking -- this was -- you  
15 have to go back to this period where, as I said, the Windows  
16 NT group and the Chicago group, you know, were fighting like  
17 cats and dogs over these interfaces in the shell. You know,  
18 with the Windows -- the Chicago group, you know, having  
19 their interfaces that I particularly didn't like because  
20 they were different than my Cairo product and they were not  
21 robust.

22 And Chris Graham was a program manager that worked in  
23 the Office group. And, you know, one of the ways you can  
24 influence an operating system design is based on what the  
25 applications need. And certainly the Microsoft applications

1 group was an important customer to us. And so there was  
2 weight -- what the apps group did had important weight in  
3 terms of what happened in the operating system. That was  
4 true throughout the industry, but it was certainly very true  
5 for the Microsoft apps group.

6 So I was in this mail basically trying to get Chris to  
7 get on my side and basically say that they should move  
8 forward with the Cairo -- the Cairo plan versus the plan  
9 that we were on, which was to use the Chicago shell  
10 interfaces. As you see, I present three options here. You  
11 know, the first one I called status quo. You know, this was  
12 my, you know, recognition of reality, which was the project  
13 I was working on was not -- the project I was working on,  
14 Cairo, was not on a path to success and the Chicago  
15 interfaces were on a path to winning, and I didn't like that  
16 at the time. And I was saying that, you know, we could  
17 continue to move forward with Chicago, but that would be bad  
18 for the Office group because the Chicago interfaces didn't  
19 do everything that the Office group wanted to be done.

20 So there were features that Office wanted in the  
21 operating system that Chicago didn't support, again, because  
22 they had used design principles of running on a small amount  
23 of memory. So I said that was a really bad option.

24 Then I talk about this office shell and, you know,  
25 again, this was just a concept. It was being discussed, but

1 it was just a concept. And I said, you know, hey, I don't  
2 know how this would work organizationally, it was sort of  
3 funny in retrospect because I said basically if you're going  
4 to do an office shell, it would be all my guys running it,  
5 seems kind of funny in retrospect. But that was apparently  
6 my perspective at the time, if you read the second paragraph  
7 under office shell.

8 And then I said, basically this isn't a very good idea  
9 to build the office shell because you won't be able to get  
10 what you need done in time. You won't have the flexibility  
11 you would have if you use the Cairo shell.

12 Then I gave the third option, you know, which was  
13 called bet on Cairo. I think my first sentence here says at  
14 one point long ago, this was the plan, indicating that, you  
15 know, at one point we had been chartered with this, but  
16 we're not on a path to succeed. Then I proceeded to, you  
17 know, suggest to Chris that going with Chicago -- going with  
18 Cairo would be the best plan.

19 What I was trying to do here in this mail was convince  
20 Chris to get on my side and, you know, fight against the  
21 Chicago team, to kill the Chicago shell interfaces and use  
22 the Cairo interfaces and to bet on the design that my team  
23 was doing.

24 You know, this office shell idea, I said, you know,  
25 it's just an idea that was not a very good idea. The

1 Chicago shell interfaces, they weren't very good. Again,  
2 Chicago and Cairo were fighting like cats and dogs and what  
3 I was trying to do is get the Office guys to take my side.  
4 I didn't succeed, but it was a valiant effort at the time.

5 Q Now going back to the first option entitled status quo  
6 in the paragraph that begins, although this is the current  
7 plan, you say, it seems like a bad option no matter how you  
8 view it. What did you mean when you said their  
9 extensibility mechanism isn't compatible with anything?

10 A Well, you know, the Office group built OLE, you know,  
11 this technology that you get back to object linking and  
12 embedding. We used the same -- the Cairo team used the OLE  
13 technology for our shell interfaces. So the Office team  
14 built OLE for this function of putting like a chart within a  
15 word processing document. But those same mechanisms could  
16 be used pretty generally and we used that same underlying  
17 technology in Cairo to build our shell extensibility.

18 So I was -- my view was the Cairo shell mechanisms were  
19 more compatible with what Office was already doing. Chicago  
20 wasn't using. They had their own mechanisms. So I said it  
21 wasn't compatible with anything. Like I said, I argued it  
22 was a bad idea. At the time I felt very strongly it was a  
23 bad idea.

24 Q Down under the heading office shell, in the third  
25 complete paragraph you say, the one thing which must be

1 understood about this plan is that it is not a plan in which  
2 pulls Chicago features into Office for the benefit of our  
3 apps. As currently planned, the features one could pull  
4 from Chicago are not compelling enough to do the office  
5 shell.

6 What did you mean when you said that the features one  
7 could pull from Chicago were not compelling?

8 A Again, I thought the Chicago shell interfaces were just  
9 dog meat and that, you know, they should die and not be  
10 used. And I was just arguing that they wouldn't meet the  
11 needs of the Office group, and what Office needed to do was  
12 very different than that.

13 So you, know, this was -- using the Chicago features  
14 was not a way of getting Office moved ahead. The Office  
15 group needed more than that, which is certainly what I  
16 believed at the time. They did need different things. In  
17 retrospect, a lot of this was all irrelevant. But what I  
18 was saying that this was not -- it was not -- you couldn't  
19 use Chicago for Office to get a big benefit. It just didn't  
20 work that way. Because what Office wanted, Chicago didn't  
21 even provide. But the Cairo team, we provided.

22 Q Which of the three options was what happened in the  
23 end?

24 A The status quo. Chicago went forward. The shell --  
25 the interfaces got published. The world adopted it. The

1 Cairo shell was killed. Windows NT moved forward using the  
2 Chicago shell. Eventually Windows NT became Windows XP and  
3 used the Chicago shell. We made it a little more robust  
4 over time. We did some things to make it robust, but it's  
5 still not well designed. It's still one of the poorest  
6 designed parts of the Windows XP and Windows NT environment,  
7 but it's compatible. And it's the Chicago shell. All those  
8 interfaces that were defined, you know, by the Chicago team  
9 had been used by literally hundreds of thousands of ISVs.  
10 Virtually every ISV on the planet uses those shell  
11 extensibility interfaces as part of the apps they build.

12 Q Mr. Muglia, I would like to show you what's been marked  
13 as Plaintiff's Exhibit 473. You are not on this e-mail  
14 chain, but it refers to you. In the bottom e-mail from  
15 Mr. Silverberg to Mr. Adler -- first of all, can you tell me  
16 who Mr. Adler -- what his job was at time?

17 A Dennis Adler was the program manager who worked for  
18 David Cole on the Chicago team.

19 Q Mr. Silverberg writes to Mr. Adler, David and I met  
20 last week with Bobmu. That's you, correct?

21 A That's correct, yes.

22 Q And Jimall. Who was that?

23 A Jim Allchin, who I worked for.

24 Q To discuss. We decided that it's A-list and Bob is  
25 having a team to determine how to wrap the APIs under Cairo.

1 Between us two, there is also a chance that Capone won't  
2 make Chicago, thanks to OLE2 being so late, or that the  
3 Capone we ship is the stand-alone, nonintegrated one.  
4 Nevertheless, we decided we would document the shell  
5 extensibility after we have finalized the APIs. All agree,  
6 however, that we should not use OLE2 for extensibility given  
7 how late it's coming in, and we were told we had made the  
8 right decision, which we knew all along, but was nice to  
9 hear from the others, particularly Bobmu, say it.

10 Did you agree in September 1993 to withdraw your  
11 objections to the namespace extension APIs?

12 A No. No, I didn't. I think Brad was getting ahead of  
13 himself in this mail. And, again, I wasn't on this mail, so  
14 I literally first saw it yesterday when I was preparing for  
15 my testimony here. I would not say that I had agreed to  
16 what Brad was saying here.

17 Certainly I continued to fight. All I know for sure is  
18 that after September of '93, I continued to fight against  
19 those namespace extensions. So Brad was reflecting that he  
20 had achieved agreement with me and there's probably some  
21 things he said that I agreed with because I try to be an  
22 agreeable guy sometimes, but I didn't think -- I don't  
23 believe I agreed with that, with what he said here. I  
24 certainly fought hard afterwards that we should move forward  
25 with the namespace extension APIs.

1 I mean I will point out, it's not 100-percent clear  
2 what APIs he's referring to in this mail. It does appear to  
3 be the namespace extensions because he's referring to  
4 Capone, but it doesn't specifically say that, I believe.

5 Q Now I would like you to take a look at what's been  
6 marked as Defendant's Exhibit 58. Now, again, this is an  
7 e-mail chain that you are not on, but it's discussing shell  
8 issues, and Mr. Silverberg writes, I talked to Paulma today.  
9 Whose e-mail alias was that?

10 A Paul Maritz.

11 Q About some shell issues, especially at the global  
12 level, such as apps plans and Cairo. He says that the apps  
13 group wants to get out of their end of year cycles they are  
14 now on and into a mid year cycle. And this means they will  
15 do Chicago revs of the apps with Chicago. And they plan to  
16 write a bunch of shell extensions to the Chicago V1 shell.  
17 This means, of course, that Cairo is going to have to run  
18 these Chicago shell extensions.

19 Why would that be? Why would Chicago have to run --  
20 excuse me, Cairo have to run the Chicago shell extensions?

21 A Well, it's like I said earlier, Chicago and Cairo were  
22 two different trains but they were supposed to arrive at the  
23 same city and they were supposed to run the same apps. You  
24 know, if you published the Chicago shell extensions and ISVs  
25 write to it and they build applications on it, then we would



1 need to run it under Cairo.

2 Q Now looking at Mr. Silverberg's e-mail to Mr. Cole, he  
3 goes on to say -- this is down in the fifth paragraph -- the  
4 sixth paragraph, and this means that we really have to work  
5 well with the Cairo guys to develop the extensions so they  
6 can support them.

7 Did that happen?

8 A No. I mean we were fighting like cats and dogs and we  
9 continued to fight until eventually, you know, the Chicago  
10 team won the battle and Cairo was canceled. So, no.

11 Q Why did that battle go on for so long, Mr. Muglia?

12 A Well, because, you know, you had two -- as I said,  
13 there were two different projects that had different goals.  
14 Both of them were important. And we were really trying to  
15 figure out how to make both of them work.

16 You know, there was the Windows NT, Cairo goal where  
17 the idea of building a long-term operating system base that  
18 would last for many years to come. It was important. This  
19 idea of information at your fingertips that Bill said was  
20 important, and so that's what the Cairo team was working on.  
21 There was the reality of four megabyte computers, you know,  
22 affordability of PCs at the time, and that's what the  
23 Chicago team was doing. And the teams were working on  
24 different objectives. And both objectives were valid, but  
25 they were -- you know, they were at least partially

1 incompatible.

2 I think we could have done a better job. You know, in  
3 retrospect, I look back on this time with a great deal of  
4 regret that the teams fought so much, that I fought with  
5 David and, you know, Brad and Jim fought like crazy.

6 This e-mail, which I hadn't seen before yesterday  
7 because I was never copied on it, it was a fascinating case  
8 in point. I mean the e-mail is a mail that Brad sends to a  
9 bunch of his guys. I think Steve Madigan was on there, and  
10 Steve worked for Jim. So although it doesn't show this,  
11 Steve apparently forwarded it to Jim. And Jim just gets so  
12 angry in this e-mail.

13 If you go up to the bottom of the first page, you know,  
14 if you look at the beginning of the second paragraph, it  
15 says, you know, you both knew this was a critical issue to  
16 me. I can't believe that neither of you discussed this with  
17 me personally. You know, blah, blah, blah, blah. He just  
18 rants and raves, which Jim is known to do sometimes.

19 Then Paul up above is trying to -- you see Paul is  
20 trying to balance these two guys working for him and trying  
21 to settle the matter. I had never seen this mail, but it's  
22 completely consistent with the battles that were raging at  
23 the time. I knew both Brad and Paul, and Brad and Jim very  
24 well. I was just at Jim's 60th birthday party two weeks  
25 ago. Brad is now working for a venture capital firm and I

1 certainly meet with him occasionally. We're all good  
2 friends. These are good guys, but they fought like crazy  
3 back then. Jim and Brad still struggle with each other a  
4 little bit, and I think that lasted.

5 I am glad that I've been able to build relationships  
6 with both of those guys and maintain them over time. But,  
7 boy, we were fighting in this mail. This mail shows it as  
8 clear as day.

9 Q Did the Windows NT team ever agree with the Chicago  
10 team in 1993 or 1994 that the namespace extension APIs were  
11 okay?

12 A Not to my knowledge. I mean you said the Windows NT  
13 team. I mean there is a broad set of words there, so I  
14 can't tell you that somebody didn't say something, but I ran  
15 the Windows NT program management group and I never agreed.  
16 I hated those APIs. They were bad APIs. Like I say, they  
17 were unreliable.

18 At first I hated them because I was building the Cairo  
19 shell and they were always competition. They were an  
20 internal competitor and they were just different in ways  
21 that I thought were somewhat arbitrary and poorly designed.  
22 Later, once, you know, it became clear that the Chicago  
23 shell was going to be the future shell and we decided to put  
24 it in Windows NT, you know, I then switched to struggling  
25 and focusing on how to make these APIs, which are

1 fundamentally non-robust, how I could make them as robust as  
2 I possibly could.

3       Most of the APIs we could find work arounds for.  
4 They're ugly. They're ugly, ugly, ugly work arounds. You  
5 still see this in Windows today. There are times when --  
6 you know, I don't know if you notice this occasionally, but  
7 sometimes when you are doing something in Windows, even  
8 Windows 7 or Windows XP, you will be just sitting there and  
9 all of a sudden the desktop goes away and it disappears.  
10 Then about ten seconds later it reappears.

11       Well, what probably happened then was a third-party  
12 add-in that used one of these shell extension APIs, it  
13 probably crashed. Maybe not. I say a third party, it could  
14 be Microsoft. Microsoft has been known to write code that  
15 crashes too. But some application add-in crashed and the  
16 shell has to go away and restart that little process. It  
17 comes back in a minute.

18       Well, that was one of the work arounds we put in in  
19 Windows NT to make these blasted shell extensions more  
20 reliable. But the namespace extension were -- they were  
21 just awful because they would run an entire application,  
22 millions of lines of code in the context of the shell, so  
23 dramatically increasing the unreliability of the system. I  
24 just found that unacceptable. I always found it  
25 unacceptable. So I fought like crazy right until the end

1 where at one point we did get them canceled.

2 If I recall correctly what happened is, you know, Bill  
3 had made the decision that the APIs would get canceled. In  
4 fact, what happened is they stayed in the system but their  
5 behavior was changed. The behavior they have is better than  
6 the original behavior design. But I fought from the very  
7 beginning to the end on those namespace extension APIs.

8 Q Now, Mr. Muglia, in your last answer you made a  
9 reference to Bill making a decision to do something. To  
10 whom were you referring in that answer?

11 A Bill Gates.

12 Q And when did you come to learn that Mr. Gates had made  
13 a decision regarding the namespace extension APIs?

14 A I believe it was the fall of 1994. I mean recognize  
15 that this argument had been going on for some time. And  
16 it's commonplace that at the time in particular, if there  
17 was a technical issue where two groups at Microsoft  
18 disagreed, that Bill would, you know, act as the judge, so  
19 to speak -- excuse me, Your Honor -- act as the judge to  
20 decide -- to make a final call on that. So ultimately the  
21 case went to the, you know, court and Bill made a ruling in  
22 the fall of '94.

23 Q Now, Mr. Muglia, I would like to show you what's been  
24 marked as Defendant's Exhibit 21. Now the bottom e-mail,  
25 the earlier in time e-mail in Defendant's Exhibit 21 is from

1 Mr. Gates entitled shell plans, IShellBrowser, dated  
2 October 3rd, 1994. Are you one of the recipients of that  
3 e-mail, Mr. Muglia?

4 A Yes, I am.

5 Q And the e-mail that appears above, is that an e-mail  
6 that you wrote?

7 A Yes, I did.

8 Q Can you tell us who the people on -- or what the  
9 aliases are on the to line in this e-mail?

10 A The two that I sent I assume you mean?

11 Q Yes, sir.

12 A Karen Brown and Paul Goode worked in our technical  
13 documentation team. They are the folks that actually  
14 document the interfaces for third-party ISVs. The Windows  
15 NT program management group was my organization. It was the  
16 team that reported to me that designed the specification for  
17 Windows NT. And Leif Pederson was the -- sadly Leif passed  
18 away a while ago. Leif was at the time a development  
19 manager for the shell team.

20 Q Mr. Muglia, you write in the first sentence of your  
21 e-mail, I am sending this out broadly because of the general  
22 interest in the group with regard to this decision.

23 Why was there general interest in the Windows NT  
24 program management group with regard to Mr. Gates's  
25 decision?

1 A Well, because, you know, we were -- at the time this  
2 e-mail was sent, you know, we had made the decision that we  
3 were going to use the Chicago shell. And we weren't sure  
4 what was going to happen to the Cairo shell. The shell team  
5 I think was subsequently moved into the Office group and  
6 there were still some folks that were working on that and  
7 thinking about that. But basically we had realized that at  
8 least for the next version of Windows NT, as it turned out  
9 for all versions in the future, we would use the Chicago  
10 shell. And my team was trying to figure out to make the  
11 darn thing robust, how to make this piece of code that was  
12 written in Chicago but was not designed to be robust to  
13 uphold Dave's principles.

14 So people cared a lot about those APIs, and they  
15 particularly did not like the namespace extensions, which is  
16 what the title of this e-mail is. IShellBrowser, that is  
17 the actual name of the interface, the so-called namespace  
18 extensions. People really worried about how we could  
19 possibly make that thing robust.

20 Q In the second paragraph you say, this is very good news  
21 for BSD. What was the acronym BSD?

22 A Business systems division. It was the Windows NT  
23 group, just the name of it.

24 Q You say, since Bill has decided these interfaces won't  
25 be published, NT development does not have to expend

1 precious energy on implementing these for NT.

2 What did you mean by that, Mr. Muglia?

3 A Well, what I meant was that the IShellBrowser  
4 interfaces, which fundamentally in their initial design were  
5 completely un-robust, and, like I say, had this attribute of  
6 running potentially running millions of lines of code in the  
7 context of the operating system, which we did not know how  
8 to fix. That because Bill decided that we wouldn't publish  
9 them, that fortunately we didn't have to spend a lot of time  
10 trying to figure out what to do to make it work in a  
11 compatible way. We didn't know how to do it. We literally  
12 didn't know how we could uphold our principles of robustness  
13 and implement these blasted interfaces.

14 So Bill, fortunately, made the decision of -- the  
15 decision that I felt was very strongly backed up technically  
16 and one that, you know, ultimately had no commercial impact,  
17 from what I could tell, to make this decision not to publish  
18 these interfaces.

19 Q You say in the next paragraph, this also means that the  
20 UI model -- does that mean user interface model?

21 A Yes, it does.

22 Q For Chicago/Cairo does not put all containers in the  
23 scope pane of the Explorer. This is a much more flexible  
24 solution which allows for more UI innovation in the future,  
25 both in Cairo and in Chicago.



1 Can you explain what you meant by that, Mr. Muglia?

2 A Yeah. It's that relatively obscure point that I was  
3 describing earlier, which was sort of the gestalt of what  
4 these namespace extension interfaces were all about. This  
5 idea was, and, again, I think it came from Bill's view of  
6 how he thinks the world should be, that, you know, that  
7 every user would, you know, go and traverse the file system  
8 and use the file system as the way to explore as their  
9 application for Bill doing everything inside Windows.

10 You know, when I say the scope pane, that's the  
11 left-hand pane, that's the tree view, that would not put all  
12 containers there. In other words, if I have an e-mail  
13 folder in my e-mail system, I will never see that in this  
14 scope pane of Explorer. Instead, the UI model changed from  
15 using the Explorer to do that to one where programs like  
16 e-mail run in a separate window, which is what I was saying.  
17 That's the way the world works. It turns out that's the way  
18 the world wants to work -- things to work. The idea of  
19 doing this browsing was never a good idea in the first  
20 place. We thought it was important, but it was never an  
21 idea that users actually liked.

22 And what it meant is that the way the user interface  
23 was designed meant that applications like an e-mail system,  
24 which these namespace extensions were designed to work with,  
25 would instead run in its own window. That's the way it

1 works. If you use Gmail or you use Outlook, or whatever,  
2 it's a separate -- it's a separate app. That's the way the  
3 world works.

4 Q Mr. Muglia, to what extent was your opposition to  
5 supporting the namespace extension APIs based on your  
6 concern that they would be used by companies like Lotus and  
7 Novell/WordPerfect?

8 A Not at all. I mean it literally didn't come up in the  
9 discussions. I mean the idea that any of this had anything  
10 to do with Novell was not something we discussed. I  
11 literally cannot recall ever having that discussion. I  
12 remember dozens of conversations with David Cole and Brad  
13 Silverberg over these interfaces and the issue of  
14 robustness. We fought like cats and dogs, but we never  
15 talked about it in the context of competition with Novell or  
16 anything like that.

17 Sure it might have gotten discussed in some retreat by  
18 a breakout group or something. Of course, we did talk about  
19 competition with Novell. Particularly I talked about it in  
20 the context of file server competition. You know, there was  
21 competition between Word and WordPerfect, no question about  
22 that. But the namespace extensions and Novell, not at all.  
23 You know, it was discussed and debated and argued and  
24 everything constantly, but it was all about the technical  
25 arguments and the fights between the Cairo team and the

1 Chicago team, that there were different goals, and on and on  
2 and on. It wasn't about Novell.

3 Q Mr. Muglia, I would like to show you one more exhibit,  
4 which is Defendant's Exhibit 77.

5 THE COURT: After that exhibit, we'll take a  
6 break.

7 MR. HOLLEY: Thank you, Your Honor.

8 BY MR. HOLLEY:

9 Q Mr. Muglia, this is an e-mail that Mr. Madigan wrote to  
10 Mr. Belfiore, you, Mr. Pederson, Frank Artale, and Lit Wong  
11 on the 9th of October of 1994. Mr. Madigan writes in the  
12 first paragraph, with the recent decision to base the Cairo  
13 shell on the Chicago shell code base, we have quite a bit of  
14 work to do beyond, quote, just porting, close quote, the  
15 Chicago shell. Then skipping, he says, by not publishing  
16 the Chicago explorer related interfaces, IShellView,  
17 IShellBrowser, this is made significantly easier.

18 Why would that be so?

19 A Well, as I said, I mean we needed -- we're going  
20 through this process. Ultimately the Cairo shell was not  
21 brought forward. The decision was made to use the Chicago  
22 shell in the Windows NT code base, which is what Steve was  
23 writing in this first sentence here. And as I said, you  
24 know, yes, that was true and we're going to use the Chicago  
25 code base, so that helped us in compatibility significantly.

1 But, you know, we were dealing with the fact that the darn  
2 thing was not robust. It was not architected to be robust.  
3 And we had those principles that Dave laid down, and we felt  
4 very important. I still think they were good principles.  
5 It was a good call.

6 And, you know, we had these interfaces that we needed  
7 to make the shell that we were putting on Windows NT, the  
8 Chicago shell being brought to Windows NT, we needed to make  
9 it as robust as possible. There was a lot we could do to  
10 make things better. But, boy, those IShellBrowser  
11 interfaces, those namespace extensions, they were so bad in  
12 their design that we just didn't know how we could implement  
13 anything that would be robust for those. So we were very  
14 grateful that we didn't have to implement them as they were  
15 originally designed. Particularly as they were originally  
16 designed. The design was changed at a later point to be  
17 more robust, still not fully robust, but better. But thank  
18 goodness that ISVs didn't write apps to the original design.

19 Q Now you have said a couple of times now that the design  
20 was changed at a later time --

21 THE COURT: Mr. Holley, would this be a good time  
22 to take a break?

23 MR. HOLLEY: Sure, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: Take 15 minutes.

25 (Jury excused)

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